

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

John Vivian WOOD et al

Art Unit: 3731

Application No. 08/945,497

Examiner:  
M. Thaler

Filed: January 6, 1998

For: SURGICAL GRIPPING  
DEVICE

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02/28/00

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

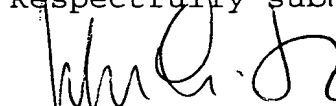
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for three months' extension of time, i.e. until February 27, 2000, for reply to the Office Action dated August 27, 1999, under 37 CFR 1.136(a). A check in the amount of \$435 for the fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(3) is enclosed.

Please charge any additional extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(3) which may be required by this paper, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2560. This sheet is filed in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,



John Smith-Hill, Reg. No. 27,730

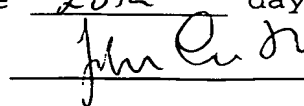
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Continuation-in-Part Application  
based on prior U.S. Application No. 08/945,497

CLAIMS PENDING IN CONTINUATION/DIVISIONAL APPLICATION						
	No.	Filed	No.	Extra	Rate	Fee
TOTAL CLAIMS	14	- 20 =	0	X	\$ 18	= 0
INDEP. CLAIMS	1	- 3 =	0	X	\$ 78	= 0
Additional Multiple Dependent Claim Fee					\$260	= 0
					BASIC FILING FEE	= \$690
					Discount for Small Entity	= 0
					TOTAL FILING FEE	= \$690

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Penelope Stockwell  
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February 28, 2000  
Date